

he, such as shall read the books of the
 secular priests and see the
 infinite number of untruths, lies, slanders
 and open falsehoods
 uttered therein without scruple of
 conscience, will little think
 needful the use of equivocations to these
 men, seeing that
 equivocations and prudent diversions of
 speech are allowed
 principally to men of scrupulous
 conscience for a\oidmg of
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list February A PETITION FOR
 ASSOCIATION

Mr Thomas Digges hath set forth a
 pamphlet called *Humble
 Motives for association to maintain religion
 established*, published
 as an antidote against the pestilent
 treatises of secular priests,
 holding that the earnestness of the
 papists against the lormer
 Bill for I2d to be had of such as are absent
 from dmne service
 on Sundays, and their publishing of books
 pretending a con-
 troversy between secular priests and
 Jesuits, to be nothing else
 but to make way for a toleration of popery
 which they hoped to
 obtain by this Parliament He declareth
 that, now the late
 Lord Treasurer is dead and the Earl of
 Essex through his fatal
 error taken away, the cry is ' priests be
 tolerable men, but
 puritans- may not be abidden ' Petitioneth
 the Archbishops and
 Bishops to take heed how they hearten
 the papists and dis-
 courage the puritan, nay every sound
 protestant, by tolerating
 points of popery to be broached in pulpit
 or print and jet
 silence puritan preachers only for
 preaching without licence

2\$th February THE KING OF SCOTS'
 TITLE

Now that the Earl of Essex is dead men
 speak freely of the
 King of Scots' title to the throne when it
 shall please God to
 take away her Majesty, nor is any man's
 ambition discovered

stirring to work for power to oppose his
right, either by strength-
ening themselves with popularity, with
arms, with followers, or
by making themselves masters of the
strength of the country
Nevertheless there is some fear among the
better sort that those
that the King should elect as his Council
and instruments should
be Scots, for the name of Scots is harsh in
the ears of the vulgar,
yet the Kings of Scotland have small
reason to be enamoured of
the faith of their subjects, and besides
the King being half
English is like to think the honour of
being reputed a King of
England greater than to be a King of
Scots